tions up to March, 1989 are as follows :

(Rs. in Million)

State Federation	Funds released
Gujarat	559.2
Madhya Pradesh . . .	246.7
Tamil Nadu	93.5
Andhra Pradesh . . .	115.9
Orissa	95.9
Maharashtra	80.9
Karnataka	105.5

In addition to this, NDDB also provided short term loans for procurement of oilseeds on a season-to-season basis to the extent of Rs. 218.3 millions during 1988-89.

(c) At the request of the Govt. of India, the NDDB formulated a project restructuring edible oil and oilseed production and marketing with the aim of establishing a vertically integrated cooperative structure on Anand Pattern for oilseed development. The project is financed from funds generated by domestic sale of vegetable oils gifted by USAID and CIDA. Under the project, the NDDB provides financial assitance to various oil seed growers' cooperative federations (which have been formed at the instance of the respective State Govts.) to help create "Anand Pattern" cooperatives, owned and controlled by the producers, which help them obtain best values for their produce of oilseeds by linking them with the market.

2. The project is presently being implemented in the seven States of Gujarat, M. P., Maharasthra, Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka. By December 1988, 3415 societies had been formed in these States covering around 490,000 farmer members.

Recruitment in Bureau of Indian Standards

1182. PROF. C. LAKSHAMANNA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of System Sclentists have recently been recruited for the Discipline of Statistics/Quality Systems/Operational Research in the Bureau of Indian Standards ;

(b) if so, what are the names of such incumbents, seniority-wise, alongwith the places of their posting ;

(c) whether they had been asked to give option for the places of their posting ; and

(d) if not, what criteria had been adopted for their posting to various offices of the Bureau ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir. Eight (8) System Scientists—A (*i.e.* Assistant Directors) have been recruited recently by the Bureau of Indian Standrads in this Discipline.

(b) The requisite details are as follows : —

S. No./ Seniority No.	Name	Place of posting
1.	Km. Mala S. . . .	Head Office, New Delhi.
2.	Shri A. R. Joshi . . .	Southern Regional Office, Madras.
3.	Smt. Bindu Mehta . .	Head Office, New Delhi.
4.	Km. Alaknanda Joshi . .	Western Regional Office, Bombay.
5.	Km. Renu Goela . . .	Head Office, New Delhi.
6.	Shri Sanjay Goswami . .	Eastern Regional Office, Calcutta.
7.	Shri Chandan Bahl . .	Head Office, New Delhi.
8.	Shri L. K. Mehta . . .	Northern Regional Office, Chandigarh.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The posting of these officers to various offices of the Bureau has been made in accordance with the discipline-wise requirement of the offices, keeping in view the special qualifications (specialisation) and practical/research experience, if any, of these officers.

Relaxation in the Vanaspati Licence Policy

1183. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently relaxed its policy for issuing of Vanaspati Licences to new units in private sector, if so, what are the details thereof ;

(b) what are the names and addresses of the parties who have been issued new Vanaspati Licences and on what terms since this policy was relaxed alongwith the capacity approved individually unitwise ;

(c) whether any letter of intent or industrial licences are likely to be issued for setting up of new Vanaspati Units including small sector, if so, what are the formalities required; and

(d) whether the State Trading Corporation of India is supplying imported Edible Oils to private sector Vanaspati Industry; if so, on what terms and conditions ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

(c) Issue of licences for the setting up of new vanaspati units is strictly done according to the vanaspati licensing policy in existence. Vanaspati units cannot, however, be set up in the small scale sector.

(d) Imported oils are released throggh the STC to the vanaspati industry at the open window rate *i.e.* Rs. 19,000/- PMT excluding freight reimbursement, sales tax etc.